

Docket No. 740756-2289

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: )  
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1746  
Serial No. 09/818,513 ) Examiner: Gentle E. Winter  
Filed: March 28, 2001 )  
For: FILM-FORMING APPARATUS, METHOD OF ) Date: February 10, 2003  
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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement in the Office Action of January 8, 2002,  
Applicants respond as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-15 and 18-26 without prejudice or disclaimer to file a divisional  
application directed thereto.

## REMARKS

The Official Action of January 8, 2003 was received and its contents carefully reviewed.  
In response, Applicants hereby elect without traverse Group III (claims 16 and 17) drawn to a  
method of manufacturing, classified in class 427, subclass 66.

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